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Price, \$24 per annum.

## AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

**LONDON:**—F. ALGAR, 11 & 13, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E.C. GEORGE STREET & Co., 80, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTTCH, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES, HENDON & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. BARNARD & Co., 159 & 161, Leadenhall Street.

**PARIS AND EUROPE:**—LEON DE ROSNY, 19, Rue Monnaie, Paris.

**NEW YORK:**—ANDREW WISE, 138, Nassau Street.

**AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND:**—GORDON & GOTTCH, Melbourne.

**SAN FRANCISCO** and American Ports generally:—BRAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

**SINGAPORE AND STRAITS:**—SAYLE & Co., Singapore. C. HINSHEN & Co., Malacca.

**CHINA:**—Messrs A. de Mello & Co., Suva, Campbell & Co., Fookow, Hulse & Co., Shanghai, Lane, Crawford & Co., and KELLY & WAHAI, Yokohama, Lane, Crawford & Co.

## Banks.

### ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

Paid-up Capital, £1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3 1/2 per annum.

" 6 " " 4 " " "

" 12 " " 5 " " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

### CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

Capital, £200,000.

Reserve Fund, £100,000.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " " 4 " " "

" 12 " " 5 " " "

WILLIAM FORREST, Manager.

Hongkong, May 19, 1880.

### NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Registered in London under the Companies' Act of 1862, on 23rd March, 1866.

Established in Calcutta 29th September, 1863.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £935,000.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £455,250.

RESERVE FUND, £350,000.

HEAD OFFICE—30A, THEBENHURST STREET, LONDON, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:—NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND.

NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

All descriptions of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance; and on FIXED DEPOSITS according to arrangement; the maximum rate being 5 per cent. per annum.

R. HORNE BOYD, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, May 24, 1880.

### COMPTON D'ESCOMPT DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION of 30th April, 1863.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £3,200,000.

RESERVE FUND, £200,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, Rue de la Paix, PARIS.

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES at: LONDON, BOULON, SAN FRANCISCO, MARSILLES, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, YOKO, CALCUTTA, SHANGHAI, HANKOW, NANTAI, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW.

LONDON BANKERS:—THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application; grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transmits every description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. G. VOULLEMONY, Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

## Banks.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, £5,000,000 Dollars.

RESERVE FUND, £1,500,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—The Hon. W. K. KIEWITZ.

Deputy Chairman—A. MOLLER, Esq.

ADOLF ANDER, Esq. H. DE C. FORBES, Esq.

E. R. REILLY, Esq. F. D. SASSOON, Esq.

U. L. DALLMEYER, Esq. W. S. YOUNG, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS SASSOON, Esq.

MANAGER.

Shanghai, EVERETT CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS:—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " " 4 " " "

" 12 " " 5 " " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Office of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, April 28, 1880.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

WE Have This Day entered into PARTNERSHIP as SHARE and GENERAL BROKERS, under the Style of "CHARTER & VERNON."

J. THEO. CHATER.

J. Y. V. VERNON.

Hongkong, June 1, 1880.

### NOTICE.

WE Have This Day entered into PARTNERSHIP as SHARE and GENERAL BROKERS, under the Style of "COHEN AND GEORGE."

CHAS. C. COHEN.

ERICH GEORGE.

Hongkong, May 17, 1880.

### NOTICE.

MR. C. STIEBEL has To-day been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm in Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama.

REISS & Co.

Hongkong, May 1, 1880.

### NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD OF UNDERWRITERS.

ARNOLD, KARBERG & Co.

RECORD OF AMERICAN AND FOREIGN SHIPPING.

Agents, ARNOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, Sept. 3, 1879.

## For Sale.

### FOR SALE.

RECENT ARRIVALS, AND AT VERY MODERATE PRICES.

BASS' PALE ALE, in Quarts and Pints, bottled by PATTERSON & HIBBERT, in splendid condition.

FINE OLD PORT, in 1 doz. Cases.

BOARD'S GINGER WINE.

AFTER-DINNERS & BREAKFAST CLARETS, in 1 doz. Quarts.

MULLON'S CELEBRATED GERMAN VEGETABLES, PRESERVES, SAUSAGES, FRUITS, RASPBERRY VINEGAR, &c.

Also,

TWO Large "HEBBER'S" PATENT FIREPROOF SAFES.

G. R. LAMBERT,

Pedlar's Wharf Buildings.

Hongkong, June 5, 1880.

### FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts, £16 per 1 doz. Case.

Pints, £17 per 1 doz. Case.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, February 2, 1880.

### FOR SALE.

A. RAUTERT, MAYN & Co.'s DELICIOUS TABLE BEER;

AWARDED FIRST PRIZE MEDAL, ST. LOUIS EXHIBITION.

BANDER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 18, 1880.

### NOW READY.

PRICE, \$1.00.

"COMPARATIVE CHINESE FAMILY LAW," BY E. H. PARKER.

Can be obtained from KELLY & WAHAI at Shanghai and Hongkong, at LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong, and at the China Mail Office.

E. G. VOULLEMONY, Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

## For Sale.

### LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED EX "GLENORCHY," &c.

RACQUET and TENNIS SHOES.

FRANCIS KIN & CO'S SUMMER SHOES.

DANSON'S CALF BOOTS and SHOES.

New Shapes in DRAB and Black FELTS.

Fine and Coarse STRAWS.

Calcutta PITH HATS and HELMETS.

PERFUMERY and TOILET SOAPS.

Fragrant Hand and Caribbe SOAP.

Toilet BRUSHES and COMBS.

Turkish TOWELS.

English and American PLAYING CARDS.

READING LAMPS, Double and Single.

READING LAMPS, with Storm Burners.

American FIRE GRATES, fitted with Summer Fronts.

LAWN MOWER.

SHUTTER CARBON FILTERS.

DINNER and DESSERT SERVICES.

TABLE and FANCY GLASSWARE.

CIGARETTES.

MANILA CIGARS and CHEROKEE.

Cut GOLD LEAF TOBACCO.

MERCHANDISE PIPES, CHAIR and CIGARETTE HOLDERS.

ICE CHEST.

Do. PITCHERS.

Do. PAIRS and TONGS.

BURGUNDY, CHAMPAGNE, CLARET, CHABLIS and other light WINES.

GOOD BREAKFAST CLARETS, from \$4.00 per Dozen.

COWSLIP and ORANGE WINE, &c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, June 1, 1880.

## For Sale.

### TO BE SOLD OR LET.

A BUNGALOW on one of the best Hill Sites, on the northern slope of Mount Kellet, commanding the best views on all sides. It is substantially constructed, entirely of Brick and Stone; contains various rooms, a large ESTERANCE, Hall, Billiard Room, Drawing Room, Store Room, three BED ROOMS (with a Bath Room attached to each), Dressing Room, English Kitchen handsomely fitted and Scullery attached; a DRYING ROOM, which may be used as a Bed Room, Servants' Room, Godown for Coals, &c., and a CUPBOARD.

For further Particulars, apply to H. A. WOOLBOUGH, Hongkong Dispensary.

Hongkong, May 18, 1880.

## To Let.

### TO LET.

A Portion of Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s PREMISES in QUEEN'S ROAD, suitable for CHAMBERS or OFFICES.

Hongkong, June 9, 1880.

### TO BE LET OR SOLD.

BUILDING, BATHING, LAWN TENNIS, and GARDEN SITES, at KOWLOON.

Apply to "HONGKONG DISPENSARY."

Hongkong, May 18, 1880.

### TO LET OR TO LEASE.

THE Desirable BUNGALOW, known as "CHERRY," at VICTORIA GAR, with immediate Possession.

For Particulars, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, May 25, 1880.

### TO BE LET.

BURROWS' Massive-Built GODOWNS, No. 44, very suitable for DRY GOODS; and Nos. 43, 56A, 59A, for COAL; with PRIVATE WHARF.

The GODOWNS, Nos. 111, 111A, and 113, WANCHI ROAD.

For Particulars, apply to SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, May 19, 1880.

### TO LET.

GROUND FLOOR of Houses Nos. 3 and 4.

Apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, April 19, 1880.

### TO LET.

FOREIGN DWELLING HOUSES in the HOLLYWOOD ROAD, containing six Rooms and OUT-HOUSES.

Nos. 3 and 9, SEMORA TERRACE.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, April 7, 1880.

TO BE LET, on Lease for BUILDING, a Piece of GROUND, containing about 10,000 square Feet, at SPRING GARDEN, on Island No. 129, commanding a good view of the harbour.

Apply to BREKTON & WOTTON, Solicitors, 29, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, February 4, 1880.

### TO LET.

TWO HOUSES, Nos. 14 and 16, Stanley Street, lately in the occupation of the TIANHANGS BROS.

Two ROOMS in CHIN CHANG.

Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, February 7, 1880.

### TO LET.

ON MARINE LOT No. 65, FIRST-CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS.

Apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1879.

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

ELEGANT ENGLISH and AMERICAN-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

OIL PAINTING, ENGRAVINGS,

OLIOGRAPHS, GLASS-WARE,

PLATED WARE, PIANO,

&c., &c., &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

### TUESDAY,

the 15th June, 1880, at 2 p.m., at the Residence of Miss LAMB, No. 14, Hollywood Road,—

The whole of the ELEGANT HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising—

Crimson Rep-covered Drawing-room Suite.

English-made Walnut Marble-top Cheffonier, with Glass.

Blackwood Inlaid Marble-top Centre Table.

Marble-top Tables.

Crystal Gasolier and Gas Brackets.

Oil Painting, Olographs, Engravings.

Bronzes, Vases, Statuettes, and Ornaments.

Elegant Carpets and Velvet Hearth-Rugs.

Handsome Mirrors on Marble-top Stands.

Chimney Glasses and Clocks.

Extension Dining Table, English-made Mahogany Cheffonier with Glass, What-nots.

Dinner, Dessert, and Breakfast Sets.

Glass and Plated Ware.

English-made Mahogany Morocco-covered Dining-room Suite.

English-made Walnut Camel's-Hair Cloth-covered Bedroom Suite.

American-made Walnut Marble-top Low Bureau with Glass.

Double Bedsteads, Wardrobes with Plate Glass Doors.

Cheval Glasses.

English-made Walnut Davenport.

English-made Mahogany Tables and Chairs.

A COTTAGE PIANO, by LUNAN, Lubbeck, made expressly for this climate.

&c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

The whole will be on view on the 13th and 14th June.

TERMS OF SALE—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, June 3, 1880.

## Intimations.

### NOTICE.

AN Extraordinary General MEETING of MEMBERS of the HONGKONG CLUB will be held at the CLUB HOUSE, on FRIDAY, the 19th instant, at 9.15 p.m.

By Order of the General Committee, F. R. ROBERTS, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, June 10, 1880.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 19th instant until the 2nd proximo, both days inclusive.

A. NEWTON, Manager.

Hongkong, June 10, 1880.

## Intimations.



## For Sale.

**MacEwen, FRICKEL & Co.**  
HAYE JUST RECEIVED EX  
"AMERICAN MAIL."

Codfish BALLS.  
Pig's Head CHEESE.  
Devilled HAM.

Compressed HAM.  
CAVIARE.  
California Golden SYRUP.

Merrill's OLDER.  
Whittaker's HAMS.  
COMB HONEY in Frame and  
Bottle.

Very Fine Boston CREAM  
CHEESE.  
PICKLED OX-TONGUES.  
PICKLED PIG-PORK.

Honeless CODFISH.  
Salmon BELLIES.  
MACKEREL.

Green TURTLE, 1lb. and 2lb. Tins.  
Borden's Condensed MILK (very fresh).  
California BISCUITS in Cask and Tins.  
Ginger CAKES.

Milk BISCUITS.  
Soda BISCUITS.  
Wafer BISCUITS.

Alphabet BISCUITS.  
Oyster BISCUITS.

CORNMEAL.  
RYE MEAL.  
BOMINY, Small and Large.  
Cracked WHEAT.

OATMEAL.  
SHELLBACK.  
PECAN, and  
BARCELONA NUTS.

Canned Table Fruits.  
Bartlett PEARS.  
PEACHES.  
GREENGAGES.

APRICOTS.  
QUINCES.  
Late Arrivals.  
ROYAL BRISTOL GINGER ALE,  
in Pint Bottles.

CROSSE & BLACKWELL'S  
HOUSEHOLD STORES.

JOHN MOIR & Sons'  
CELEBRATED PRESERVES.

CHUBB'S PADLOCKS.  
TILL LOCKS.  
BOX LOCKS.  
OUPBOARD LOCKS.  
&c., &c.

American PADLOCKS, and  
Builder's LOOKS.

JOSEPH RODGERS & Sons' Table  
OUTLERY.

Combination Champagne KNIVES,  
Pocket KNIVES,  
SUSPENSORS.

RAZORS,  
&c., &c.

BOSKEY'S PATENT PNEUMATIC GUN.  
ALUMINUM Gold PEN and PENCIL  
CASES.

Billiard CHALK and CUE TIPS.  
WELINGTON'S Knife POLISH.  
PLATE-POWDER.

Metallic TAPE LINES.  
A Large Assortment of  
FANCY and OFFICE  
STATIONERY.

Superior Note PAPER, from 50 Cents per  
Box, of 5 Quires.  
ENVELOPES, from 20 Cents per Hundred.  
FOOLSCAP.

Letter PAPER.  
Blotting PAPER.  
Printing PAPER.

Drawing PAPER.  
Blank BOOKS.  
Copying BOOKS.

ON PAPER.  
Drying PAPER.  
Blotting PADS.

PENS.  
AND ALL OFFICE  
REQUISITES.

N.B.—Our Papers and Envelopes are im-  
ported direct from Manufacturer, and  
the quality for price is unsurpassed,  
if not unequalled in Hongkong.

NOVELS!  
NOVELS!!  
NOVELS!!!

WORKS OF REFERENCE,  
SCIENCE BOOKS,  
SCIENTIFIC  
WORKS,  
&c.

Very Fine "Cable Cuff" TOBACCO,  
"Empress of India," and  
Best "Navy" in Stock.

CIGARETTE,  
CAVIARE,  
PRINCESSA,  
FORTIN, and  
MEISIN.

CHERRIES, CAVIARE, and PRINCESSA.

SHIPS' STORES of every Description,  
HEMP, and COTTON CANVAS.

RUSSIAN, MANILA, and WIRE ROPE.

SAIL-MAKING, and RIGGING promptly  
executed.

Hongkong, May 18, 1880.

## Mails.



STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE  
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,  
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDI-  
TERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-  
AMPTON, AND LONDON;  
ALSO,  
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND  
AUSTRALIA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship  
PESHAWAR, Captain REYNOLDS, will  
leave this on MONDAY, the 14th June,  
at 5 p.m.

For further Particulars, apply to  
A. McIVER, Superintendent,  
Hongkong, June 8, 1880. j614

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.  
L'AUQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR  
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,  
POINT DE GALLE,  
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILLA, PORT  
SAID, NAPLES, AND  
MARSEILLES;  
ALSO,  
PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA  
AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON MONDAY, the 21st day of June,  
1880, at Noon, the Company's  
S.S. SYNDY, Commandant MOWE,  
with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,  
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the  
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for  
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-  
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the  
principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until  
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until  
4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on  
the 20th of June, 1880. (Parcels are not  
to be sent on board; they must be left  
at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-  
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the  
Company's Office.  
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, June 8, 1880. j621

Occidental & Oriental Steam-  
Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND  
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED  
STATES AND EUROPE,  
IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
CENTRAL  
and  
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING  
RAILROAD COMPANIES  
AND  
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S.S. GALLIE will be despatched  
for San Francisco via Yokohama,  
on or about the 1st July, 1880, at  
3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for  
Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central  
and South America, and Europe.

Connection made at Yokohama, with  
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until  
4 p.m. of the 30th June. PARCEL  
PACKAGES will be received at the Office  
until 6 p.m. same day: all Parcel Packages  
should be marked to address in full; value  
of same is required.

A Return is made on RETURN PAS-  
SAGE TICKETS.

Consular Invoices to accompany Over-  
land, Mexican, Central and South American  
Cargo, should be sent to the Company's  
Offices addressed to the Collector of Customs,  
San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight  
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.  
G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, June 1, 1880. j71

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "YANGTSE"

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship  
Indus, from London, in connection  
with the above Steamship, are hereby  
informed that their Goods are being  
landed and stored at their risk at the Com-  
pany's Godowns, whence delivery may be  
obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,  
unless intimation is received from the Con-  
signee, before 4 o'clock p.m. To-day,  
requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after SATUR-  
DAY, the 13th June, at Noon, will be sub-  
ject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, June 8, 1880. j614

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BRIT BARQUE "MELBROK,"  
FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-  
named Vessel are hereby requested  
to send in their Bills of Lading to the  
Undersigned for countersigning, and to  
take immediate delivery of their Goods.  
Cargo impeding the discharge of the  
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-  
signee's risk and expense.

MEYER & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, June 10, 1880. j617

## Insurances.

**YANGTSE INSURANCE  
ASSOCIATION.**  
CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000  
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000  
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 265,268  
TOTAL CAPITAL and AG-  
GREGATIONS, 3th April, 1880.....Tls. 915,268

Directors.  
F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.  
W. M. BOYD, Esq. W. M. MYERSON, Esq.  
J. H. FINKOVOS, Esq. F. D. BIRCH, Esq.

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.  
Messrs RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

LONDON BRANCH:  
Messrs BARRING BROTHERS & Co.,  
Bankers.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent,  
8, St. Michael's Alley, Cornhill, E.C.

Policies granted on Marine Risks to all  
parts of the World.

Subject to a charge of 12 1/2 for Interest  
on Shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS  
of the UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are an-  
nually distributed among all Contributors  
of Business in proportion to the Premiums  
paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, May 11, 1880. j603

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above  
Company, are prepared to grant In-  
surances at current rates.

MELROSE & Co.,  
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE  
COMPANY OF  
MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling  
of which is paid up £ 400,000  
Reserve Fund upwards of £ 120,000  
Annual Income £ 250,000

THE Undersigned have been appointed  
Agents for the above Company at  
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai,  
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant  
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,  
Hongkong, October 15, 1868.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant  
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on  
Buildings or on Goods stored therein,  
on Goods on board Vessels and on Bills of  
Lading in Harbour, at the usual Terms  
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Insurances will be re-  
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors  
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on  
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single  
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-  
posals or any other information, apply to  
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,  
Agents, Hongkong and Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER  
of  
His Majesty King George The First,  
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed  
Agents for the above Corporation are  
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—  
Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either  
here, in London or at the principal Ports  
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short period at  
current rates. A discount of 20 per cent.  
allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding  
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,  
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant  
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on  
Buildings or on Goods stored therein,  
on Goods on board Vessels and on Bills of  
Lading in Harbour, at the usual Terms  
and Conditions.

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The ships of the Infant Navy, the fleet and sound as they may seem to the eyes of the casual visitor at Pigeon Anchorage, are really a shambles as they are, for example, the vessel known as the *Yang-Ni*, which we believe means "Dynasty of Ages." This marine is termed "the ship of the future," and was built in 1904, and is consequently of the age of twelve years and she was docked a week ago, and found to be completely worthless. Her planning actually cost \$1,000,000, and she is now being sold absolutely for a few hundred dollars. *Infant Navy* and other leading ship-builders are endeavoring to make the navy of China potent in the East. It is really far from naval training.

And the mental vision of the bright "children" is altogether unimpaired by the lack of mind and power of the Chinese, and is very fully neutral. But notwithstanding

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For all these Chinese destitutes, who in proportion to a population of over 140,000 Chinese in the Colony, happen to form but a comparatively small percentage, the Government has provided a house for the pauper, a hospital, not even lunatic asylum, provided by the Government. There is indeed the Tung-shi Hospital, but the Committees are so afraid of being burdened with permanent pauper patients, that no poor are admitted into the Hospital without recommendation on the part of influential subscribers. There is also a Poor Box of very limited means at the Missionary, but here numbers of unfortunate natives are obliged to wait till a specially pliable story, of a dece. There is further Charitable Allowance Fund annually included in the Estimates and under the control of the Governor. But as neither

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the "other man," whilst all pattering of panderism is to be earnestly deprecated as anything tending to encourage idleness or reliance on the aid of others is fatal to energy, self-help and industry, so on the other hand a system of brute barbarism, such as flogging and deportation, and the utter absence of Government care for the destitute, is equally or even more fatal to the interests of the destitute and the State. The Government should encourage self-help and assist the destitute in every way possible, but it should not require or agitate for the removal of all aid and assistance, the British Government of the different policy which holds out but the help, or the least, not kindly as but to call on the destitute poverty as a crime and not merely as a misfortune, causes loss of hope and courage,

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 and the Government, and finally  
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 fluence on the elementary education of  
 the lower classes. Public funds should  
 therefore be far more liberally devoted  
 to the education of the poorer than to  
 that of the well-to-do classes, and the  
 promotion of English teaching in ele-  
 mentary schools should be a principal  
 object to be attempted by the Government  
 in preference to the early teaching of  
 the higher branches of an English  
 Education desired by the middle and  
 poorer classes of Chinese residents.

Dr. Y. Brown,  
*Acting Chinese Secretary.*  
 22nd April, 1880.



## WORD SQUARES.

Prizes of \$15 and \$10 are offered to ladies who succeed in "squaring" the greatest number of words by the Saturday preceding Midsummer Day next.

Particular attention is called to the following Revised Rules:—

Words squared with ordinary English words will receive three credits, those squared by employing words not in common use and those squared by using technical terms and foreign words will receive two, and those squared by using words not in common English will receive one. This credit will be accumulative, and successful answers will be published. No word will rank as a common English word unless it can be found in a modern English Dictionary; while at the same time it must be understood that many words to be found in modern English Dictionaries are not common words.

All answers should be sent to the Editor, *China Mail*, by noon on Saturday, and a new word will be given each week.

## "SCHOOL."

Second-class answers have been received from "Aethusa" and "Janet," as follows:—

SCHOOL SCHOOL  
CHEGRE CHAMBER  
HEALE HAZELS  
OGLING OMEGAS  
ORENSE OBLATE  
LEDGER LOSSES

The next word to be "squared" is "CIRCLE."

This squaring of the "Circle" will be the last and deciding "square," unless it be found necessary to give an extra word to decide between competitors who may have accumulated an equal number of credits.

## A HOLIDAY IN BOSOBOSO.

(The Californian.)

Father Remigio is the cura of Bosoboso, and is a jolly good fellow, though not very clerical. He wears like a pirate. If the good Bishop could only know all his peccadilloes, he would certainly put him in the calaboose under the episcopal residence. But the bishop is far enough away to-day, and the object of all assembled is to enjoy themselves as much as possible. It is about ten o'clock when we ride in under the welcome shade of the convent. Going up a low flight of stone steps, we enter a large and unfurnished room, utterly cheerless, and so large that there is not furniture enough in the Philippines to fill it. Scattered about are many friends and acquaintances, some clerical and some lay. "Let's have a dance," shouts Father Remigio. No one objects, and Angel and Juan are sent out for the girls. No one else in the village could induce the girls to come at such an hour, and at such an off-hand invitation; but the cura of a Philippine village is a despot, willingly obeyed, especially by the ladies of his flock. Soon they come trooping in by twos and threes, and are ranged on chairs, round against the wall. All the men and old women smoke. Cigars are scattered about in profusion. French and Spanish wines, brandy, gin, and bottled beer are to be found in the remotest corners of the islands, and are invariably offered to all guests. The band is back from the funeral by the door, and with the *habanera*, the "Banks of the Pasig," the dance begins. Father Remigio ungraciously blows his blue Franciscan habit and it's well the bishop doesn't see him—appears now as a stout young man, dressed in a gaudy green shirt, worn outside, in the style of the country. The room, before so cheerless, is now entirely changed. A Virginia reel is in full progress. Strange to say, this dance has become naturalized—introduced by some wandering American, probably. Some of the girls are very pretty, and all dance divinely. All dress in bright, sparkling colors, and the effect is picturesque.

I go out through the kitchen to look down into the stable underneath, and see how my horse fares, well knowing that convent servants are none of the best. Here I find Father Remigio, greatly excited, and upbraiding Juan in a loud tone of voice. The rascal deserved it. It seemed that he had been ordered to harness the horses to the carriage, and bring to the scene of festivity some very particular lady friends of the cura. These, on arriving late, had complained to him that there was something the matter with the horses, as they were unable to keep the road. Investigation had extorted from Juan the confession that he had stolen their rice for the last month, and had spent the proceeds in gambling. Having got thus far, Father Remigio went to get his rascal—every housekeeper has this in reserve. Of all dirty places, a convent kitchen, in native hands, is the worst. As there are no chimneys, the soot accumulates everywhere. The kitchen, to-day, is in an unusual state of filth, in keeping the feast for the dancers. Father R. appears, and orders Juan to lie down. This energetic gentleman is married, has a family of his own, and is at least thirty years old. The other servants go quietly on with their work, or look rather pleased to see the victim victim. After two or three strokes he starts up on his feet, but is ordered down again, and extends himself on the floor, two down. Two or three more whacks, and he is up again. "For mercy's sake, father, I've had enough!" But no, justice is still unsatisfied, and he has to get down again, and receive the remainder of the twenty-five, well laid on. He does not even whimper, but goes off quietly, and to that day at least, may be trusted to do what he is told. Slavery has never been known here, but servants recognize the right of their employers to log them. The housekeeper's rule is, "the wages in one hand (\$2 a month), and the rattan in the other," and it is impossible to be fairly served on any other basis.

After a hearty dinner, the ladies take themselves off. They each must provide herself with a pillow and a straw mat, and an entire feast till four o'clock. Then chocolate and cigars, and we are ready for more amusement. Two horses are stretched to fight this afternoon for five hundred dollars a side, and Father R. says he will take up to the spot, on the outskirts of the village. This is a common form of amusement in some of the provinces. After a pleasant

walk through shady streets, past little blue and white houses, some tastefully carved with various designs, we see quite a crowd under a large mango-tree, on the edge of a paddyfield. The crop has been gathered and the water turned off, and the result is a smooth surface covered with a short, yellow stubble—an excellent place for a contest of any kind. No women are to be seen here; all are men. The rivals are kept as distant as possible, and each is surrounded by a knot of admirers as "backers." The nearer, and the favorite in the betting, is a boy. He is the larger, and looks sufficiently vicious. Each is accompanied by a favorite mare, with whom he has been running for some weeks. The mares are fastened to a stake on their champion's side of the field. The other contestant is a white, and does not look very formidable. Horses are not indigenous to the islands, but were introduced by the Spaniards. Neither of these is apparently worth over twenty-five dollars, so their owners can afford to sacrifice them. Father R. had sent word that he was coming to the spot with some friends, and they only waited our arrival, as everything was now in readiness. The stallions are brought up head to head, held by their owners, who, at a signal, slip the halters and get out of the way as soon as possible. Fired at the sight of a possible rival, they rush at each other without the loss of a moment. Thundering kicks rain on the ribs, but do not seem to affect either combatant. They keep head to head as much as possible—each endeavoring to get a good hold with the teeth. Though they have not been engaged five minutes, both of their noses are streaming with blood. Finally, the white gets a firm hold of the grey's nostril, so firm that it can not tear out, and the pain makes the sufferer fairly shriek for mercy. When released, he had no further desire for contest. It is noticeable that here the white horse possesses the greatest endurance—his color absorbing less heat from the sun.

From here we stroll back to the centre of the village, not far from the church, proposing to visit the cock-pit. In passing the church-door, we notice a body on a blue-collared are dispensed with—placed squarely across the entrance-way. It seems that the family have no money to pay the burial-fees, and take this method of bringing it to the notice of the cura. After dark, the sexton will convey it to the burial ground.

The cock-pit proclaims its locality by the loud shouts of the spectators and the incessant crowing of the cocks. The Spanish Government at one time proposed to abolish this amusement; but, in doing so, it was found that the main incentive to labor had been taken away. The native would not work unless it was to gain something to wager in his favorite pastime. So, very wisely, the business was legalized, and the right sold to the highest bidder. Each country town has its cock-pit, and no fighting is permitted outside of it, and here only on Sundays and regular holidays. We meet a few disappointed ones carrying home their dead birds; but most all the travel is in the opposite direction. We pass in with the rest—the nice-looking crowd that kept the gate smiling and bowing, and admitting us free as Europeans are not generally sent at this place of resort, and are therefore treated as guests. The entrance-fee for natives is about three cents, when they come as spectators. Those bringing cocks are charged a *real*, or twelve and a half cents. We find ourselves in a large shed, where the noise from the crowing is deafening. Each bird is pegged down with a cord of about ten feet in length, and walking through this maze is a difficult matter. On one side is a stand for the sale of sweetmeats, and on the other is a sort of out-door restaurant. Crowds of natives, principally men, move about or keep guard over their charges. The birds, from being constantly handled, are very tame, but resent a push from your foot with an angry cackle, or perhaps a good sharp blow, delivered in fighting style. The matches are almost invariably made on the spot. The owner brings his cock to the pit without the least idea with whom he is to fight; but firmly resolved not to engage unless he thinks the advantage is on his side, he is either of weight, age, or sex. His patience is most provoking. If he can not compass any of these objects he will go home when night comes, and patiently wait for the following Sunday to repeat these tactics.

We soon come upon a pair that are really matched to fight, each commanding a little life from the ground, takes off the string and extends his leg to have the knife bound on. The natural spar has been cut down to a stump, and this is bound a sharp steel blade about three inches in length, curving inward. When this operation is finished, a sheath is carefully fitted on the knife. The judge, a dignified native armed with a rattan, is in charge of the ceremonies. He politely offers no seats near the money table. Now the owners come forward and lay down their bets. These are limited by law to fifty dollars on a single fight, but they often go much higher. Then, stepping into the pit, each holding his bird by the tail, they place them on the ground, and allow them almost to meet. Then they take them up again, covering the head with the hand, each allows his adversary a tremendous peck at the gills. The judge waves his hand as a signal to uncover. The excitement is now at fever heat. A perfect babel prevails. Bets are being made all over the ring. Some even offer gold, but never seem to give more than five to four. Now the sheaths are off, and the fight is about to begin. Not a whisper is heard, and all eyes are riveted on the champion. The supreme moment, to which months of care and preparation have tended, has now arrived. Back to back, the cocks are set on their feet, and the judge, holding the joints of his toes, pulls on his head, kicks his tail, and finally pulls out a sheath, which he carefully holds in his mouth for luck; and then puts him on

the ground about a yard from his adversary. With such weapons, as may be imagined, combats are short and decisive. On this occasion, my favorite, whose bold eye and sooty legs had induced me to wager five dollars on his prowess, after one or two sharp passes, stood without his knife before his opponent, and without even his natural spurs, as that had been cut down. A chance blow had nearly relieved him of his knife, and there he was like an unarmed man before a swordsman. There seemed to be no doubt about the result. But, to the surprise of all, he forced the fighting, and skillfully avoiding the murderous blows aimed at him, he pounded his adversary with his stump to such good purpose that he was soon pursuing him in triumph around the ring, and won the fight, and money amidst the most enthusiastic shouts.

The day's festivities conclude with fireworks on the plaza, and at just nine o'clock an enormous fire balloon, carrying a small pig, is sent up. The shouts of admiration from the assembled multitude are answered by the fainter and fainter squeals of the hapless animal as he sails off into the still night air.

ARTHUR T. MARVIN.

## JAPANESE PAPER.

The *Globe* says:—The British paper-maker had better look to himself; the little Japs have just proclaimed their intention of invading his territory, and past experience shows that these enterprising islanders are not to be daunted by a few initial failures, whenever they see their way to making a good profit out of eventual success. The declaration of hostilities comes to us in an announcement that the Imperial Government of Japan having established large paper mills at Tokio, are prepared to receive orders for every description of paper in any quality, weight, or size. This challenge is followed by the address of the London agency, and seven samples of paper are appended. The quality of these leaves little to be desired, the surface being fine and the texture close and tenacious. Indeed, some of the thicker sheets are almost as difficult to tear as parchment, while the whole are very pleasing to write upon. This latter is especially the case with the very thin paper, involving heavy postage. A rule, what is called "overland paper," does not allow a fine steel pen to travel freely, and it is also liable to blot, owing to the running of the ink. The Japanese specimen has neither of these disadvantages, and we should imagine, therefore, that it would find a ready sale if properly placed before the public. Three of the samples are labelled "suited for printing," but it may be doubted whether their surfaces are not too smooth for this purpose. The main objection, however, to the whole batch, so far as commercial use is concerned, is the high price. Not too high, perhaps, for the superior quality, but beyond the limit imposed by economical exigencies. The rate now between about 1s. 6d. and 2s. 6d. per lb., and therefore greatly exceeds the current English prices. At present, however, the export is only in its infancy, and we have little doubt that the same quick intelligence which has supplied many of our wants with the manufactures of Japan will soon meet that other great requirement—a strong, moderately stout, and cheap printing paper. Owing to the progress of education, the demand for this article is constantly increasing, and through the supply has been recruited from many new sources of late years, the commodity still remains dearer than might be desired.

## CHRISTIANITY IN JAPAN.

The Archimandrite Nikolai, President of the Orthodox Russian Mission in Japan, made some remarks about Catholicism and Protestantism at Moscow on the occasion of his appointment as Bishop of Revel. He said that great results had been achieved by the Mission in converting the heathen to the Orthodox Church, but that the Russian missionaries also had to think of "their misled brethren, the Catholics and the Protestants." He had lived twenty years abroad, and had seen many pious Catholics and Protestants, but though some of them were very intelligent and cultivated men, he had never met one who had any logical notions of religion, nor compass any of these objects he will go home when night comes, and patiently wait for the following Sunday to repeat these tactics.

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## Visitors' Column.

We have instituted as an experiment a VISITORS' COLUMN, which we trust will prove successful, and be found useful. To it will be relegated from time to time such items of information, lists, tables and other intelligence as is considered likely to prove valuable to persons passing through the City, and in connection with—

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Watches, Jewellery, Charts, Binoculars, Optical Instruments, Mordan's Pencil-cases, &c.—JOHN NOBLE, agent for Negretti & Zambra.  
Guns, Rifles, Pistols, Ammunition, and Sportsman's Requisites of all descriptions.—WM. SCHMIDT & CO., Gun-makers, Eastern House of Beaconsfield Arcade.

## Chair and Boat Hire.

LEGALISED TABLET OF FARES FOR CHAIRS, CHAIR DRIVERS, AND BOATS, IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

Chairs and ordinary Pullaway Boats.  
Half hour, 10 cents. Hour, 20 cents.  
Three hours, 50 cents. Six hours, 70 cents.  
Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

To VICTORIA PEAK.  
Single Trip.  
Four Coolies, 1.00  
Three Coolies, 0.85  
Two Coolies, 0.70

Return (direct or by Pok-foo-lum).  
Four Coolies, 1.50  
Three Coolies, 1.20  
Two Coolies, 1.00

To VICTORIA GAY (TO LEVEL OF UMBRELLA SEAT).  
Single Trip.  
Four Coolies, 0.60  
Three Coolies, 0.50  
Two Coolies, 0.40

Return (direct or by Pok-foo-lum).  
Four Coolies, 1.00  
Three Coolies, 0.85  
Two Coolies, 0.70

The Return Fare embraces a trip of not more than three hours.

For every hour or part of an hour above to Victoria, each Coolie will be entitled to an additional payment of 5 cents.  
Day Trip (Peak).....\$0.75 each Coolie.  
(12 hours) Gap.....\$0.60 each Coolie.

Licensed Bearers (each).  
Hour, 10 cents.  
Half day, 25 cents.  
Day, 50 cents.

BOAT AND COOLIE HIRE.  
BOATS.  
1st Class Cargo Boat of 4 or 500 tons, per Day, \$5.00  
1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 tons, per Day, 6.00  
2nd Class Cargo Boat of 500 tons, per Day, 2.50  
2nd Class Cargo Boat of 800 tons, per Day, 3.00  
3rd Class Cargo Boat of 100 tons, per Day, 1.00  
3rd Class Cargo Boat of 200 tons, per Day, 1.50  
4th Class Cargo Boat of 300 tons, per Day, 2.00  
4th Class Cargo Boat of 400 tons, per Day, 2.50

COOLIES.  
1st Class, per Day, 1.00  
2nd Class, per Day, 0.75  
3rd Class, per Day, 0.50  
4th Class, per Day, 0.25

Of Pullaway Boats, per Day, \$4.00  
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## Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised March 1, 1880.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers, over four ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets or papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though Written by Hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, and as invoices, deeds, copied music, &c. The charge on them is the same as for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 6 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Return Receipt on paying an extra fee of 5 cents. The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. The Patterns for such offices are limited to 8 ounces, and must not exceed these dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

N.R. means No Registration.

## Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, most foreign possessions in Asia, Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritius, all N. America, Mexico, Salvador, Chili, Brazil, Peru, Venezuela, The Argentine Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guiana, Honduras, Bermuda, Labrad, with all Danish, French, Netherlands, Portuguese and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are the Austral Group.

Postage to Union Countries.  
General Rates, by route.

Letters, 10 cents per oz.  
Post Cards, 8 cents each.  
Registration, 10 cents.  
Newspapers, 2 cents each.  
Books, Patterns and 2 cents per oz.

Comm. Papers, 2 cents per oz.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.  
Hawaii Kingdom 10

Letters, 10  
Registration, None.  
Newspapers, 5¢  
Books & Patterns, 5¢

West Indies (Non Union), Bolivia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala, New Granada, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Uruguay, 80

Letters, 80  
Registration, None.  
Newspapers, 10  
Books & Patterns, 10

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 12; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 4; Via Galle, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 4.

Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension, via Aden, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 5.

\* A small extra charge is made on delivery. † There is Registration to British W. India Islands, 10 cents. To the Bahamas and Hayti, the San Francisco route is available. ‡ Registration via San Francisco, 10 cents. § Cannot be sent via San Francisco.

## LOCAL POSTAGE.

Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, in either direction, other two (through a British agent), 10 cents. Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, in either direction, other two (through a British agent), 10 cents.

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